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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

HIROKI HIYAMA

Application No.: 09/291,006

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 8, 2003, Applicant elects Group

II of the claims, namely Claims 14-24.

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